Santosh Jain Endowed Memorial Scholarship

The Santosh Jain scholarship honors the memory of the spouse of Chaman Jain, a senior lecturer in SPEA. Santosh Jain was well known among international graduate students. She was born in Lahore, India, which is now part of Pakistan. She first came to the United States from New Delhi, India, in 1970 with her husband and their two small children in order for Chaman Jain to attend graduate school at IU. Throughout the years, she supported her family as they pursued higher education, and was passionate about serving her community and promoting education. She was a founding member of the India Society of Bloomington, a group dedicated to assisting impoverished women and children in India. She was also well known in the graduate student community for her culinary skills.

The scholarship offers financial support to a current international graduate student who has demonstrated commitment to service and education and plans to pursue a service-oriented career and demonstrates financial need. The recipient will possess a track record of service to underserved or rural communities, humanitarian causes, or educational organizations in activities that support an improvement in the lives and opportunities to those in impoverished communities. Preference will be given to graduate students from South Asia, in particular those hailing from India, Pakistan, Nepal, Sri Lanka, Bangladesh, and Bhutan.

Nomination Process: Any department can nominate one doctoral or master’s student who exemplifies the characteristics of Santosh Jain. The Awards and Financial Aid Committee, a standing committee of the Graduate Council, will make the selections. An application must consist of the following, in the order listed below:

- Letter of nomination from the Department Chairperson, or from a Faculty Member designated by the Chairperson;
- Two (2) additional letters of recommendation;
- Personal statement from the candidate (no longer than two (2) pages in length);
- Curriculum vita/résumé for the candidate.

Award Value: This is a single-year award valued at $5,000. Note: The award must be used for the year it is awarded. A recipient cannot place this award into a "reserve status" because of receiving another award.

Student Deadline: Students must contact their school/department for the deadline. All award and fellowship nominations must be submitted by your school/department. We will not accept any self-nominations.

Department Deadline: All nominations need to be submitted through SharePoint (1 pdf per student nomination) by Friday, March 20, 2015.

Questions may be directed to Ms. Yvonne Dwigans, Fellowships Coordinator, by email at ylivings@iu.edu.

*Schools/Departments are responsible for contacting the candidates that have applied, but were not chosen for nomination.*
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1) Name and Title of Nominator:
____________________________________________________________________________

2) Nominator’s Campus Address, Phone Number, and Email Address:
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3) Student’s Name:_____________________
IU ID Number:________________________

4) Citizenship:____________

5) DOB:____________

6) Student’s Mailing Address: ________________________________

7) Student’s Major/Department:______________

8) Student's Email:_____________________

Process: Please submit the following:

- Letter of nomination from the Department Chairperson, or from a Faculty Member designated by the Chairperson;

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- Personal statement from the candidate (no longer than two (2) pages in length);

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